

Public Hearing Bond Town Hall: In response questions there is a \$50,000 furniture allowance. The Security and electronic wiring will be part of the design build. There was a space needs study done by SMP that is being revised as to the area needed for various offices based upon electronic scanning and other improvements in record retention and storage. All the current computer equipment is up to date at the Town Office and can be moved. There will be a cost to move the termination of the fiber optic cable connecting to the Police Station that is expected to be under \$5,000. It is anticipated that the impact on the tax rate is under 1 cent/1000 because of savings in rent.

Public Hearing on Building Permit Map 224 Lot 66, Castle Rock Road

Appointment to meet Attorney Laura Spector Morgan

Bid Opening Mallego Road Bridge. I suggest they then be given to HTA engineers for a recommendation. Note if they exceed \$1,300,000 (when factoring in Construction engineering and contingency), the Board may need to add money to the budget (80% state match) or take it from the Bridge Capital reserve.

Public Hearing Budget: Fund Balance after setting the tax rate was \$ 4,470,997: The target for the Select Board at that time for the midpoint of the GFOA/DRA range (8-17%) was \$3,683,126. After setting tax rate in 2018 the town was at 15.17% or above of midpoint of the range by \$787,872. (Last year the article for the Town Hall had \$750,000 and would have put the town at the midpoint again.) In addition to the carryover Fund Balance, there is a reasonable expectation to add \$450,000 at year end from unexpended appropriations and other sources. This brings the total available above the target to \$1,237,871. The total being requested from fund balance for all the warrant articles is \$1,370,000. I would suggest the Select Board consider not using fund balance for some of the articles. The alternative would be the town still had a healthy fund balance, but a little below the target.

I suggest the Board take the two best funded capital reserves (Bridge and Fire Truck) and have them stand alone. The Fire Truck CR has passed even during the recession without fund balance. The Bridge money is 80% leveraged. Both have several years before being needed. ***What does the Board wish to do?***

Vote on Recommendations for Warrant Articles: I suggest a consent vote for those proposed by the Board (Articles 3-16) with any Board member being able to pull any article(s) from the list being voted. Then those that are requested to be individually voted will be done, followed by votes on Articles 17-21 individually. ***What does the Board wish to do?***

Deputy Treasurer appointment:

Information:

Finance Director Lynne Murphy has achieved a significant milestone in her training with completion of the year long program through NH Bureau of Education and Training titled Human Resources Certified Program.

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Public Hearing Budget and Warrant Articles

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